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July 1, 2014

Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

ATTENTION: WIRELINE COMPETION BUREAU

RE: Form 481 ETC filing pursuant to Sections 54.313 and 54.422 SAC 381617, ND, Midstate Telephone, LLC Connect America Fund WC Dockets 10-90, 11-42 and 14-58

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Sections 54.313 and 54.422 of Commission's Rules, Midstate Telephone, LLC, ND, SAC 381617 is filing its Form 481 High Cost and Low-Income Annual Report.

Midstate Telephone, LLC seeks confidential treatment under the Protective Order in this proceeding for Section 54.313(f)(2) financial information in the 481 filing 1 and for Section 54.202(a) 5 Year Service Quality Improvement Plan portion of the 481 filing pursuant to the Request for Confidential Treatment attached to this filing. Pursuant to the Protective Order, one copy of the confidential document and two copies of the redacted version are provided. The Redacted version is also being filed on the Electronic Comment Filing System.

Please address any correspondence regarding this transmittal to the attention of Tom Campbell at the following address, e-mail or telephone number.

Sincerely,

Tom Campbell

**Telecommunications Consultant** 

tcampbell@otcpas.com

651-621-8511 (v)

651-483-2467 (f)

**Enclosures** 

CC: Mr. Charles Tyler, FCC Telecommunications Access Policy Division (two copies confidential)

<sup>1</sup> See Protective Order 27, WC Docket Nos. 10-90 et al, Rec 14231 rel. November 16 ("Order")

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# Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

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Connect America Fund	) WC Docket No. 10-90
Lifeline and Link Up Reform	) WC Docket No. 11-42
ETC Annual Reports and Certifications	) WC Docket No. 14-58

#### REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT

Midstate Telephone, LLC, SAC 381617, ("the company") requests that the portion of its Form 481 pertaining to the 5-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan be granted confidential, non-public treatment pursuant to Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.457, 0.459, and related provisions of the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), including 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4) ("Exemption 4"). Form 481 contains information regarding the company's Section 54.202(a) 5- Year Service Quality Improvement Plan including capital expenditures and operating expenses. Release of such information would supply a roadmap to competitors regarding confidential build out plans and study area demographics. In addition, the document contains confidential information that is not customarily disclosed to the public or made available within the telecommunications industry. Information in support of the company's request for confidential treatment pursuant to Section 0.459(b) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.459(b), is provided below.

## I. MIDSTATE TELEPHONE, LLC'S FORM 481 SATISFIES THE REQUIREMENTS OF § 0.459 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES

The material for which the company seeks confidentiality falls squarely within the requirements of Section 0.459 of the Commission's rules. As demonstrated below, the company has satisfied each of the elements of Section 0.459, and disclosure of this information would result in competitive harm to the company.

- (1) Identification of the specific information for which confidential treatment is sought. The company requests confidential treatment for the portion of Form 481 required by 47 C.F.R. § 54.313 related to the Section 54.202(a) 5- Year Service Quality Improvement Plan. The information bears the legend "Confidential Financial Information. The specific information falls into the categories of: 1. Capital Expenditures, 2. Operating Expenses and 3. Area Demographics
- (2) Identification of the Commission proceeding in which the information was submitted or a description of the circumstances giving rise to the submission. The information is required to be produced annually by 47 C.F.R. § 54.313. The proceedings are WC Docket No. 10-90 and WC Docket No. 11-42. The documents will also be submitted in WC Docket NO. 14-58
- (3) Explanation of the degree to which the information is commercial or financial, or contains a trade secret or is privileged. The information for which confidentiality is requested is "financial" and commercial in nature. The information is "confidential" in that it "would customarily not be released to the public." The courts have elaborated that material "is 'confidential' . . . if disclosure of the information is likely to have either the following effects: (1) to impair the government's ability to obtain necessary information in the future; or (2) to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of the person from whom the information was obtained." Both of the considerations apply in this instance, as further explained in point (5) below.
- (4) Explanation of the degree to which the information concerns a service that is subject to competition. All of the services provided by the company are subject to intense existing or potential competition.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Board of Trade of the City of Chicago v. Commodity Futures Trading Comm'n, 627 F.2d 392, 403 & n.78 (D.C. Cir. 1980) (courts have given the terms "commercial" and "financial, as used in Section 552(b)(4), their ordinary meanings).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Critical Mass Energy Project v. NRC, 975 F.2d 871, 873 (D.C. Cir. 1992) (citing the Senate Committee Report).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Nat'l Parks and Conservation Ass'n v. Morton, 498 f.2d 764, 770 (D.C. Cir. 1974) (footnote omitted); see also Critical Mass Energy, 975 F.2d at 873.

- (5) Explanation of how disclosure of the information could result in substantial competitive harm. If the information were publicly available, it would supply competitors with financial information not ordinarily available to the public. Specifically, rural telephone service has historically lent itself to "cherry picking" by competitors that choose to only serve low cost areas. Release of this specific build out and operating expense information would allow competitors to gain an unfair advantage.
- (6) Identification of any measures taken by the submitting party to prevent unauthorized disclosure. The information for which the company seeks confidential treatment is information that the company does not customarily release to the public. The company also limits the internal circulation of this information to only those with a need to know.

Consistent with 47 C.F.R. § 0.459(a), the items for which confidentiality is requested are being submitted with, and are covered by, this request. This request for confidentiality - as well as the documents subject to this request - are being filed in hard copy and/or electronic copy.

- (7) Identification of whether the information is available to the public and the extent of any previous disclosure of the information to third parties. The documents and information for which confidentiality is sought are not made available to the public and have not been disclosed to third parties, except to those entities identified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(i). For those disclosures, the company has requested confidential treatment by the entities for the same information.
- (8) Justification of the period during which the submitting party asserts that material should not be available for public disclosure. Given the sensitive nature of the information for which confidentiality is requested, the prospect of serious competitive harm, the company requests that confidential treatment apply indefinitely.

#### II. CONCLUSION

For these reasons, pursuant to Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's Rules, the company requests that the portion of Form 481 relating to the Section 54.202(a) 5 - Year Service Quality Improvement Plan be treated as confidential under the Commission's rules and precedent and withheld in their entirety from public inspection, and that any distribution of them within the Commission should be limited to a "need to know" basis. In the event that any person or entity requests access to the documents or seeks to make any or all of them part of the public record, the company requests to be notified immediately so that it can oppose such request or take other action as necessary to safeguard its interests and the interests of consumers.

Sincerely,

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	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?	(yes / no ) O •	
	If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5 year plan" filed with the FCC?	(yes / no ) O O	
<112>	If your answer to Line <111> is yes, then you are required to file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.  Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your concept which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.	mpany is a	
	Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached documents(s), on lin 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to § 54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.	Name of Attached Document	
<113>	Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets		
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If your c	ompany serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes				
to confir	m the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920,				
demons	trates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to	Sele			
§ 54.313	3(a)(9) includes:	(Yes,	77/-577		
<921>	Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.	NA			
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<923>	Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;				
<924>	Compliance with Rights of way processes				
<925>	Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements				
<926>	Compliance with Facilities Siting rules				
<927>	Compliance with Environmental Review processes				
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<1120>	Please check this box to confirm no terrestrial backhaul options exist within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G)	
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Lifeline	erms and Condition for Lifeline Customers ection Form	FCC Form 481  OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819  July 2013
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<1210>	Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans	381617nd1210.pdf
		Name of Attached Document
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or the we	neck these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, bsite listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to (a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must report:	
<1221>	Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,	¥
<1222>	Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,	
<1223>	Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.	

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CHECK	he boxes below to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental Connect Amer support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(			
	support as set forth in 47 Gra y 54.525(b),(c),(u),(	e, the information reported on this	s form and in the documents attached	below is accurate.
	Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting			
<2010>	2nd Year Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1))			
<2011>	3rd Year Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(b)(2))			
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	Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification (47 CFR § 54.312(a))			
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<2016>	Certification Support Used to Build Broadband		111	
	Connect America Phase II Reporting (47 CFR § 54.313(e))			
<2017>	3rd year Broadband Service Certification			
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<2019>	Interim Progress Certification			
<2020>	Please check the box to confirm that the attached document(s), on	line 2021, contains the required	information (	
<2020>	pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support	t shall provide the number, nam	es, and	
	addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providi	ng access to broadband service	in the	
	preceding calendar year.			
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CHECK th	he boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursual CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the	nt to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring the information reported on this form and in the documents attack		ncial reporting requirements set forth in 47
(3010)	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan			
	Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i))			
		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Inform	nation	
(3011)	Please check this box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3 § 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), the carrier shall provide the number, names, and addreproviding access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	1012 contains the required information pursuant to asses of community anchor institutions to which began		
(3012)	Community Anchor Institutions [47 CFR § 54.313(f)[1](ii)]			
	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)) If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	Name of Attached Document Listing Required information (Yes/No) (Yes/No)	38	
Please	check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 301	7, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(	2) compliance requires:	Š.
(3015)	Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)			
(3016)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Ca	sh Flows		
(3017)	if the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation			
		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information		
(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited?	(Yes/No)	•)(C)	
	If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains			
(3019)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a fo	ormat comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunication	ns 🗸	
(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of C	ash Flows	4	
(3021)	Management letter issued by the independent certified public accountant that	performed the company's financial audit.		
	If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:			
(3022)	Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers.			
(3023)	Underlying Information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant			
(3024)	Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.			
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		381617nd3026.pdf		
(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information			

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#### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

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Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Signature of Authorized Officer:	Date
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:

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#### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

I certify that (Name of Agent) Tom Campbell is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the augent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.				
Name of Authorized Agent: Tom Campbell				
Name of Reporting Carrier: MIDSTATE TEL CO				
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date: 06/27/2014			
Printed name of Authorized Officer: Anthony Wilhelmi				
Title or position of Authorized Officer: President				
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 7016282522 ext.				
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 381617	Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2014			

#### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipi	ents on Behalf of Reporting Carrier
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service suppor the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the informa	
Name of Reporting Carrier: MIDSTATE TEL CO	
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: Tom Campbell	
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: CERTIPIED ONLINE	Date: 06/27/2014
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: Tom Campbell	
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent Consultant	
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: 6516218511 ext.	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 381617 Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01	/2014

Attachments

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ND	A11	44.95	0.0	44.95	3.0	0.512	0.0	Other, No limit on usage allowance
ND	A11	54.95	0.0	54.95	6.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No limit on usage allowance
ND	All	70.95	0.0	70.95	15.0	1.5	0.0	Other, No limit on usage allowance
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Form 481 Line No. 112 Five Year Service Quality Improvement Plan

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Form 481 Line No. 510 Compliance with Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection

- Midstate Tel Co (Company) will provide service on a timely basis to requesting customers within the Company's designated service area where the Company's network already passes the potential customers premises, and
- 2. The Company will provide service, within a reasonable period of time, if the potential customer is within the Company's designated service area but outside the Company's existing network coverage, if the service can be provided at reasonable cost by:
  - a. Modifying or replacing the requesting customers equipment;
  - b. Deploying a roof-mounted antenna or other equipment;

c. Adjusting the nearest cell tower;

d. Adjusting network or customer facilities;

e. Reselling services from another carrier's facilities to provide service; or

f. Employing, leasing, or constructing an additional cell site, cell extender, repeater, or other similar equipment.

#### 3. Service Quality Standards

#### The Company:

- Provides voice grade access to the public switched network.
- Provides flat rated local exchange service with no addition charge to end users.
- Provides access to the emergency services provided by local government or other public safety organization, such as 911 and enhanced 911.
- Provides toll blocking and toll limitation services.
- Advertises the availability of its services and the charges using media of general distribution and on its website.
- Maintains a business office providing customers with access to a customer service representative either in person or via a local telephone call or toll-free telephone number during normal business hours.
- Directs after hour calls to the Company's help desk.
- Directs trouble reports to the on-call technician.
- Tracks all service orders to ensure they are completed in a timely manner.
- Measures its service connection and service interruption performance on a regular basis.
- Trains employees to:
  - Answer all incoming calls promptly.
  - Respond to all inquiries for information promptly and courteously.
  - Investigate thoroughly all customer complaints.
  - Be knowledgeable about products and service offerings so they can assist the customer with selecting the best service option.
- Has a process for periodic inspection, testing and preventive maintenance of its equipment to permit the rendering of safe, adequate and continuous service at all times.

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#### 4. Consumer Protection Rules

The Company has established operating procedures designed to facilitate compliance with applicable consumer protection rules which include compliance with the Customer Proprietary Network Information (CPNI) rules. The operating procedures include:

- · Appointment of a compliance officer.
- · A manual detailing the specific procedures for protecting consumer information.
- · Employee training on an annual basis.
- · A disciplinary process for improper use of consumer information.

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Form 481 Line No. 610 Description of Functionality in Emergency Situations

Midstate Tel Co. has:

- Established reasonable provisions to meet emergencies resulting from failures of lighting or power service, sudden and prolonged increases in traffic, or from fire, storm, or acts of God including provisions for emergency power that provide:
  - o A minimum of four hours of battery service in each central office.
  - o A permanently installed power unit in exchanges, or
  - Mobile power units that can be delivered on short notice and which can be readily.
     connected in offices without installed emergency power facilities.
- Informed employees as to the procedures to be followed, including reasonable rerouting of traffic
  around damaged facilities and the deployment of emergency power, in the event of emergency in
  order to prevent or mitigate interruption or impairment of telecommunications service.